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PRESENT: THE HONORABLE BARBARA JACOBS ROTHSTEIN BY

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IN RE: PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (PPA) PRODUCTS LIABILITY

LITIGATION

MDL NO. 1407

This document relates to all actions

## IN CHAMBERS PROCEEDING:

MDL defendants filed a memorandum regarding the <u>Daubert</u> hearing testimony of Dr. Steven Levine on the issue of ischemic stroke. Plaintiffs object to the filing of this memorandum, and, in the event the court considers the additional briefing, request permission to file a response. Because plaintiffs substituted Dr. Levine as their ischemic stroke expert only shortly before the hearing, defendants' <u>Daubert</u> briefing did not address his opinion. As such, the court will consider defendants' memorandum on Dr. Levine. However, after reviewing this memorandum, the court finds no new arguments or positions warranting a response from plaintiffs. Therefore, the court denies plaintiffs' request to file a response.

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